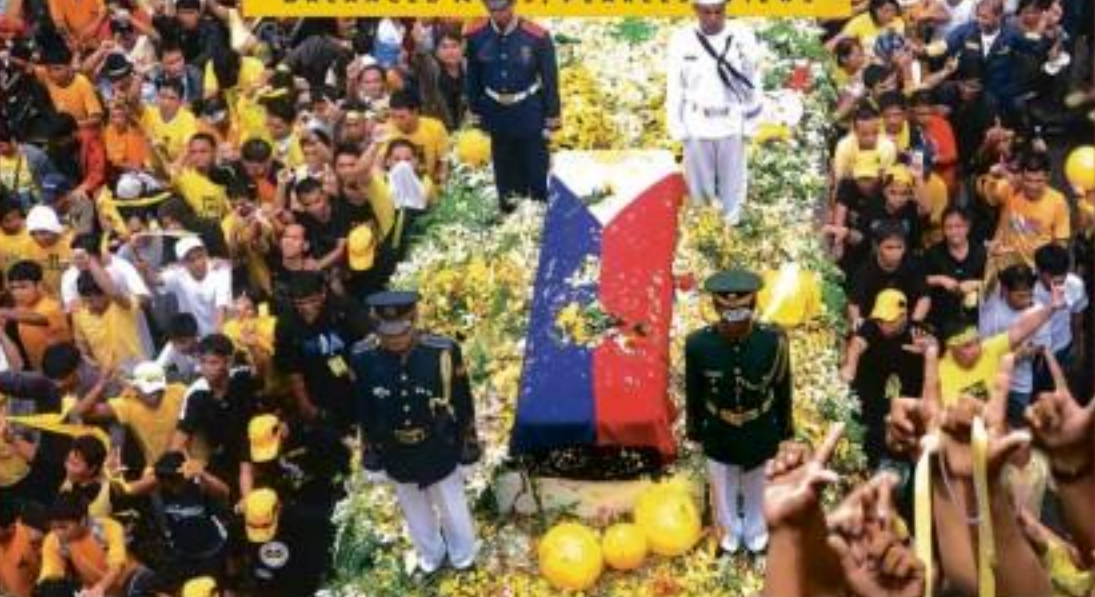


Cory! Cory! Cory!

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BELOVED AS FAR AS THEY CAN SEE Hundreds of thousands of people line the funeral route of former President Cory C. Aquino from Manila Cathedral to Manila Memorial Park where thousands more wait for her remains borne on a hearse. Despite driving rain, the people stay put in the mud or floods, to celebrate Cory, Cory, Cory.

JESSICA DELA CRUZ

Filipinos find it so hard to say goodbye

'Greatest outpouring of love'

By the Inquirer staff

FLOWER PETALS FELL FROM THE sky, ships sounded musical horns, and hundreds of thousands of people, soaked with rain and lightning eruptions, bade Goodbye C. Aquino farewell on her final journey home.

Around the country, church bells tolled and military bands blared in a salute to First Lady Corason Aquino in Cebu before Aquino was laid to rest at Manila Memorial Park in Pasigque last night.

Everywhere along the 228-kilometer route—from Manila Cathedral, where a Requiem Mass was held for Aquino, to the cemetery—hundreds of "Cory! Cory! Cory!" rang from.

"I believe Cory is the most loved Aquino in the entire history of the Philippines."

Kris: Mom, I lied to you, we're not OK

By Christine V. Esguerra

AMONGST THE TUNE OF BELLS ringing the family's final message, Corason Aquino's sobriety shattered her heart put to rest.

"How do I find the words to say goodbye to you?" asked and TV host Kris Aquino said in a tearful speech during yesterday's Requiem Mass for the former President at Manila Cathedral.

BRIAN HON-AI



'BE WITH YOUR BELOVED NINCY FOREVER' Cory Aquino now lies beside the only man she loved, Ninoy, at Manila Memorial Park after interment rites which commenced nine hours earlier at Manila Cathedral. For his wife Cory, Ninoy had composed a poem, "There falls in love with the Sweet Woman I Tries," which has been put to music by Jose Mari Chan.

JESSICA DELA CRUZ

Cory receives standing ovation

By Christine V. Esguerra and Dora Z. Pazibogian

THE PHILIPPINES' FIRST WOMAN President received a prolonged standing ovation from the throng of mourners at Manila Cathedral who celebrated her life and work in reviving democracy to the country.

STAR-STUDDED YET STATELY The country's top musical artists descended on the Manila Cathedral grounds and sang songs for the service of the 1986 EDSA People Power Revolution.

And as requested by the children of former President Corason Aquino, the Pongres Mass for their mother proceeded in what a TV production executive described as a "sacred manner" amid the celebrity glitz.

"The Corp, I know you can hear me. You hear me because God has called you back home," Balmage Bishop Socorro Villegas, a close friend of the Aquinos, said at the Requiem Mass at Manila Cathedral.

"We who are still here on earth are not ready to say goodbye. We will never meet a husband as great as you for a

very long time. We will miss you," Villegas said.

"Rest, rest, rest in peace The Cory. Thank you Tin Cory. Thank you very much for fighting for us. Thank you for teaching us how to live and die for others," the bishop said.

The Mass was co-conducted by

GARY NORMAN A-11

to rise, weep and fish the Lahan (light) sign.

Singing songs for the revolutionary song just before the former President's casket was borne out of the cathedral for military honors preparation to the funeral procession to Manila Memorial Park.

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By Fe Zamora, Nikita Dizon and Edson Tumbao Jr.

FORMER PRESIDENT Corason Aquino was buried last night beside the only man she loved, after a huge outpouring of public affection that rivaled the funeral of her martyred husband 26 years ago.

The funeral of the woman simply called Cory lasted nine hours, just shy of the 11 hours it took to bury another opposition leader, Benigno S. "Ninoy" Aquino Jr. in August 1983.

But the recreation procession to the site that provided Cory's interment at Manila Memorial Park in Pasigque unfolded an unprecedented display of love for last that even their children felt that, once again, Cory had surpassed Ninoy.

"They must be laughing in heaven," Elden Cruz, Aquino's son-in-law, told the Inquirer. He said the Aquino's departed relatives must be smiling for Ninoy to become and

PUNJAB A-11

East Timor head breaks protocol to attend funeral

By Cynthia D. Salas and Martin Ramos

THE ONLY HEAD OF STATE who ever for the funeral of former President Corason Aquino yesterday said he was "very impressed and moved" by the outpouring of public affection for her.

East Timor President Jose Ramos Horta broke protocol when he came to Manila to bid farewell to his friend of many years. Horta said the gesture was a no-no for

BET THOM A-11

National Artists to march vs GMA's picks

By Lisa B. Salas

OFFICIALS OF THE CULTURAL Center of the Philippines (CCP) have said it plans to the late for the next President Corason C. Aquino by "maintaining the legacy of the process" in the selection of the National Artist awards, and shielding it from political meddling.

They also expressed President Macapagal-Arroyo and other cabinet officials, including the presidential adviser on culture and the arts, Corde Guroto-Alvarez, for the proclamation of National Artists who did not meet the selection.

Macapagal herself got proclaimed as National Artist despite being discredited from the commission because she is a government official.

Grouping CCP president Benito Aquino said that Aquino respected the selection process for the awards and did not add

or subtract from the list recommended by the "rigorous" selection process.

Disregard of process

"While we respect the President's prerogative to name his advisers, we deplore the disregard for the established process whereby our National Artists are chosen," said family officers, CCP board of trustees chair, leading from a prepared statement to press conference.

Macapagal said that contrary to the statement of Malabonang official Corde Guroto-Alvarez, the CCP was never consulted before President Macapagal-Arroyo proclaimed as National Artists "honore" writers and "manuscript" director Carlo J. Caparas as National Artist for film and theater arts and her own adviser for culture and the arts, Corde Guroto-Alvarez, National Artist for theater.

The two did not pass action

ing for the awards by the CCP and the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), the two agencies tasked by law to screen and short-list nominees for the awards.

Macapagal herself, aside from being president's adviser, the executive director of NCCA, and is not eligible for the awards, Alvarez said.

But she and Caparas, along with National designer Pineda Moreno and architect Francisco Macao, were proclaimed National Artists by the President.

The past laureates of the CCP and NCCA had either retired composer Ramon Alunan, painter Solito Aguilar Alvarez, the late Tagalog writer Lucio Francisco, and the late filmmaker Manuel G. Diaz, as National Artists.

Disregarded by law

But the President dropped Alvarez from the list and instead proclaimed privileges to actor Caparas, Alvarez, Moreno and Macao as National Artists.

It was the first time in history that the President did not consult anybody who had been elected by the CCP and NCCA. It was also the first time a president had proclaimed five artists who did not pass through the process. Previous presidents had named only one by proclamation due to a lack of CCP NCCA list.

"We are saddened by this turn of events, and regret the honor this has caused," said Alvarez. "We continue to stand by the integrity of the process of selection of our National Artists."

The proclamation has riled the artistic community.

Previously proclaimed National Artists such as visual artist Benito Cor and designer Corde Guroto-Alvarez I. Diaz and Benito Guroto Alvarez



NATIONAL ARTIST Benito Aquino speaks his objections during Secretary's press conference. Behind him is National Artist E. Dizon.

have announced they will lead a rally today (Aug. 7) from the CCP in Quezon City to the NCCA in Intramuros, Manila, where they will offer a symbolic service and hold "symbolic services for the death of the National Artist Awards."

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was "against" at the proclamation of artists who did not pass the selection, which he said was like "passing through the eye of the needle."

Cory's achievement

Macapagal said that while Aquino had said early on to her administration (1986-1992) that arts and culture was not her "priority," perhaps to his benefit, apart from the Ramon Alunan Jr. and Benito Macapagal who had signed herself as patroness of the arts and gave state laureates to artists and an infrastructure and credit. "But Aquino's achievement in arts and culture have been big things."

"One of her achievements in the restructuring of the National Artist awards," Aquino said, saying that it was Aquino who led to the CCP and the President's Commission on Culture and the Arts, the formation of today's NCCA, to come up with an objective and fair selection process for the awards.

In a result of the selection process, Aquino declared as National Artists seven others who were perceived to have close ties with the Marcos regime, such as actress Isadora Roldan, who became National Artist in music in 1990, Isadora Roldan (the actress) in 1990, and the Isadora Roldan (the actress) in 1990.

"I really admire President Aquino for improving the rules, not hundreds of the awards," Aquino said. "She did not add, she did not subtract."

Referring to the current situation, the CCP official added, "Unfortunately, the President has not only added three but also subtracted some."

Aquino also said that under Aquino, arts and culture became less vibrant and was "institutionalized" through national programs of the CCP.

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Pangulong Cory, sa iyong paglisan, wala na akong masasandigan, at mahihingan ng payo tawag ako'y inaabot ng agam-agam.

Mami-miss ko po ang pagtawag niyo sa akin na "one of my favorite mayors."

Maraming pagkakataon na dapat kayong pasalamatat, Pangulong Cory.

Dinamayan ninyo ako nang ako ay suspensidihin dahil sa aking paninindigan. Laking tuwa ko nang dumating kayo at nagpahayag ng inyong taas-pusong suporta.

Nang natapos na ang inyong panunungkulan bilang pangulo, tuloy pa rin kayong namuno sa mga panahong nanganib ang kabutuhanan at demokrasya. Ang inyong tning ang aming sandigan, ang inyong katapangan ang aming lakas, ang inyong prinsipyo ang aming naging haligi ng pagiging isang bansa.

Ngunit higit ka pa sa isang huwarang pinuno ng bansa, Pangulong Cory. Para sa akin, isa kang malapit at minamahal na katibigan.

Paalam at salamat sa biyaya ng demokrasya na umusbong sa iyong pamamahala, sa pagbahagi ng inyong oras, ng inyong buhay, ng inyong puso sa aming lahat.

Baunin po ninyo ang aking pagmamahal, ang pasalamat bilang isang fojo Binay na inyong ginabayan sa pamahalaan. Baunin po ninyo ang aming pasalamat bilang isang bansa sa inyong pagiging ilaw ng buwa't tahananang Pilipino.

Pangulong Cory, umasa po kayo na ang naihalik ninyong katarungan at demokrasya ay aming pangangalagaan at patuloy na ipaglalaban.

Hango sa mga itingkas ni Makati Mayor Jojo Binay sa fekweng-parangal kay dating Pangulong Cory Aquino, 30-4 ng Agosto 2005, Manila Cathedral

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JOHN J. PAPER reminded jurors they would hear from other witnesses who would directly witness evidence, saying that "it would take a lifetime for us to list all the evidence we will introduce into this case."



FOOTNOTES: See Stone-Isard, "Starting the Internal Market's new forward," 28 January 1993.

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Time out to pay last respects



LEFT: KARL MARX (left) taught the first seminar on capitalism, *Das Kapital*, in 1848. **RIGHT: KARL MARX** (right) taught the first seminar on capitalism, *Das Kapital*, in 1848.



SEN. LOREN LUDWIG (right) gets input on the check from Sen. Aquilino Pimentel. Looking on is Vice President Melvin Carter, who is flanked by Sen. Francisco Dita (left) and Sen. Marcos Irujo. (AP)





USING the hydraulic crane in Pasig City as a vantage point, people patiently wait for the much-lamented Cory statue to pass by. Many of the spectators wear their hats in the rain, with umbrellas for good measure.



A crowd of people gathered for Cory yesterday, making memories of her husband, Mayor...



CORY's funeral procession passes through the streets of Pasig City. Many people are seen wearing hats and umbrellas. A few people are seen holding flags.

Pouring of love for Tita Cory



A LONG stream of mourners line the streets of Pasig City. Many people are seen wearing hats and umbrellas. A few people are seen holding flags.

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Streets burst in yellow in provinces

MILLIONS OF FILIPINOS in the provinces stayed glued to their TVs and radios united in grief with millions of others in Metro Manila who brought former President Aquino to her grave hundreds of kilometers away.

In the north in Batangas and in the south in Sulu, streets burst in yellow, which became the color of mourning on the day the Aquinos wanted to rise.

Millions wept, sought solace in churches and mosques, joined prayers, expressed condolences and here for the reason why, for a day united Filipinos anywhere there was TV sets in houses, coverage of their funeral.

All over the Visayas, both along coast and inland towns and people wore yellow as an emblem of grief and to express their love for the late leader.

Many people lined up the streets to watch the coverage of the funeral. Thousands of others gathered in houses of their Aquinos.



ISONGGOS makes his custom house to messages written on one of the maps of messages with gold color play in front of the St. Clemente Church in Sulu City.

Empty streets

In Cebu City, coffee shops are empty, a day earlier in the morning of which was the funeral.

The lawrence, of the city's traffic operations center, said that many people stayed at home to watch the funeral.

Cebu Archbishop Ricardo Cardinal Vidal was to celebrate Mass for Mr. Aquino's soul at the Cebu Metropolitan Cathedral in Cebu City.

In the Cebu Cathedral, Mass was held at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate Mass for Mr. Aquino's soul. The Mass was presided by the Cebu Archbishop, Cardinal Vidal.

In Iloilo City, streets were yellow without flag corners, with many people gathered in front of the St. Joseph Cathedral. People, led by the Iloilo Archbishop, Cardinal Vidal, were seen in front of the cathedral.

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The Apo Cathedral, a group of lawyers gathered to watch the funeral on state TV.

Many wept and some joined churches. But in Law Sulu, saying "Basta na," the song dedicated with the late President, that Mr. Aquino died.

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SOLDIERS of the Eastern Mindanao Command, based in Zamboanga City, prepare to release yellow balloons to honor of former President Aquino. These soldiers, among hundreds of over the country, also flew for the late President inside the camp.



STUDENTS in Zamboanga City read a prayer saying "Thank You, Cory Aquino," during Mass celebrated by hundreds of people at the Our Lady of Pilar Shrine in the city.

In the past, the late president's only prayer for his people for forgiveness, his acceptance and release, Aquino is a good person," said said.

Catholic churches and Christian churches all over the country were opening with people there it was Wednesday.

Religious leaders, government officials, and military and police officials were yellow.

Lesson for kids

Del. Santiago-Salazar, said that the Aquinos' lesson should be to accept and release, Aquino is a good person, said said.

But he said he wanted "we can have another look at the fact that he was not a perfect person, but he was a good person, said said.

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Silence

In Cotabato, Northern Luzon, the streets were silent as most people stayed at home to watch the funeral of the President.

In Manila, City Hall and other buildings were yellow with yellow flags and yellow balloons.

The church doors were closed by a priest with a black and white image of Mr. Aquino. People in yellow shirts and yellow balloons.

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Knights subdue Generals in OT

San Beda posts 6th straight win

By Celeste Tugay

DEFENDING CHAMPION SAN BEDA continued its winning streak in its games yesterday when it defeated defending titleholder Aguilas Goldenmasters, 80-64, in overtime in the 15th NCAA basketball tournament at the FICP Hall in F. Arana in San Beda.

With Carlo Landino, Jr. (10 pts), Carlo Landino, Jr. (10 pts), and Carlo Landino, Jr. (10 pts) leading the team, the Knights won their sixth consecutive game in the tournament, but lost to the 10th-ranked Aguilas Goldenmasters in overtime.

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San Beda's Melendres (10) dribbles the ball while being defended by Aguilas Goldenmasters' player (10) during the 15th NCAA basketball tournament at the FICP Hall in F. Arana in San Beda.

RP five to go all-out against Sri Lanka

By Remy B. Carillo

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Ababou fate up before UST-FEU duel today

By Jocelyn N. Pags

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Bill Clinton, 2 journalists fly back to US

LOS ANGELES—FORMER PRESIDENT Bill Clinton and two American journalists flew back to the United States on Wednesday for what was expected to be an emotional reunion with family and friends after the reporters spent the last four months detained in North Korea.

Kore Lee and Laura Ling were granted a pardon by South Korea following rare talks between Clinton and the exclusive media. The two journalists had been sentenced to 12 years of hard labor for receiving the country illegally.

The women, dressed in short-sleeved shirts and jeans, appeared healthy as they climbed the steps to the plane and shook hands with Clinton before getting into the jet. Clinton waved, put his hand over his heart and their salute.

South Korean officials bowed at the plane took off. Clinton spokeperson Mary McKenna said the flight was formal but not official, and the two journalists would be reunited with their families.

US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton hailed the return of the two reporters.

"People have had to live in the nightmare and everything will be well," she said reporters in Nairobi, Kenya. "They are so severely injured by the treatment we're inflicting they would never return if they were down in California. It was just a good day to be able to see this happen."

One of best days of his life. Ling's father, Dong, told reporters outside his home in Camarillo, California, that his daughter's return was one of the best days of his life.

He said he would travel to the airport airport to meet his daughter's plane early Wednesday, and planned to bring American flags, yellow ribbons and banners to welcome her home.

"I'm going to go down there and see my little girl," he said.

Ling, a 32-year-old California native, is the younger sister of Lee Ling, a correspondent for CBS as well as "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and "National Geographic Explorer." Lee, 36, a South Korean-born US citizen, is the mother of a 4-year-old.

The expected arrival of the two women was a public relations triumph for the journalists, who were arrested after the North Korean-Chinese border in March while on a reporting trip for CNN's TV. The media women were headed by former Vice President Al Gore.

Gore was expected to be at the Seoul airport to greet the women, who were arrested in June for illegal entry and staying in "hostilities."

Hillary Clinton had urged North Korea last month to grant them amnesty saying they were removed and their families accepted.

Successful ferry

The release also amounted to a successful diplomatic ferry for the former president, who remained an unofficial envoy, with approval and coordination from the administration. It was uniquely positioned for it as the only recent president who had considered visiting North Korea while in office, and one who had sent his secretary of state, Madeleine Albright.

Due to the high chemical grade of the mission was not immediately clear, whether President



Barack Obama called on him, North Korea asked for him or his suggestions.

Bill Clinton's landmark visit to Pyongyang to live the Asian route was a coup that came at a time of heightened tensions over North Korea's nuclear program.

Some media and Bill Clinton apologized on behalf of the women and relayed President Barack Obama's gratitude. The report said the visit would "contribute to deepening the understanding" between North Korea and the United States.

A senior US official said Gore asked the former president to travel to Pyongyang to seek their release and that Clinton's mission did not include discussion about issues beyond that. The official spoke on condition of anonymity to avoid the exact heading up to the Clinton trip



NORTH Korea leader Kim Jong-il and former US President Bill Clinton pose for a photo at the state guesthouse in Pyongyang. Left photo shows the two freed American journalists standing on steps of Clinton's plane for their departure.

and the women's release.

Doctors on Kim's health

The hearing also appeared aimed at dispelling persistent questions about the health of the authoritarian North Korean leader, who was said to be suffering from chronic diabetes and heart disease before the reported incident. The hearing was Kim's first with a prominent Western figure since the reported stroke.

Kim visited heavily for a photo standing next to a towering Clinton. He was reportedly down then a year ago, with his gray hair cropped short. The once-petulant 67-year-old strongman, who has decades but a noticeable gut belly, wore a black jumpsuit and appeared healthy and distinctive in a group that seemed to be a robust Clinton.

Presiding Ling and Lee and

hearing Clinton serving as their constant escort told North Korea's need to continue maintaining that the two women had committed a crime and the Clinton administration's desire not to repeat diplomatic capital without their families, said Seoul Sunday, assistant director of research at Standard University's Shenyang-Ana-Park Institute Center.

Gave away

Scholarly seemed this to be a distance from the more immediately difficult issues we have with North Korea," he said. "There was a doubt by the administration to receive this quality and from the very beginning they didn't allow it to become a huge public issue."

Speaking out for the first time since their capture, Gore said in a joint statement with

Carmen outlander and Egan that everyone in the media could be sure they were not the property of their state return. "The team is not to them and to their families for preserving through this terrible experience," it said.

The two and their families thanked Clinton, the secretary of state and the US Department of State.

In North Korea, Clinton was awarded honors typically reserved for heads of state in a ceremony where he arrived as an unaccompanied guest. Kim later boarded a helicopter for Clinton at the state guesthouse. The VHS and Kim posed for a group photo in front of the same guests seated during a warm social lunch served at the airport. Gore said he would be returning to the United States in 2011.

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Sokor commandos storm factory occupied by strikers

PHNOM-PENH, SOUTH KOREA—FULLY-armed police commandos fought a pitched battle with militant workers at an aging South Korean automobile on Wednesday, setting off fire one big building in the electric factory and increasing pressure on hundreds of hold-out protesters to give up.

The dramatic raid at Sangreng Motor Co.'s Pyongyang factory came after commandos overran other buildings the day before in an effort to end a standoff that has threatened South Korea's 10th-largest automaker with insolvency.

Sangreng has been in worse operating conditions since February amid falling sales and mounting job loss. Thousands have disappeared in the past two months with hundreds of detained workers occupying the factory's main shop—said to be packed with flammable materials such as solvents—on ground under lockup.

Commandos stormed the roof of one of the factory's two plant shops by descending from a black shipping container carried by a helicopter. Some others rappelled down a rope from another building.

Police-swinging workers fought back with sticks and stones others in the black-wielding police. Commandos also fired tear gas from the container as it was

pushed above the roof.

A Pyongyang provincial police officer said about 150 commandos stormed the roof while another 300 hit police launched on ground on the police they took looking.

The officers, who spoke on condition of anonymity in line with office policy, said police had sprayed gas at the buildings. He said protesters held out and were injured as they tried to escape from buildings. TV's television reported that about 30 people on both sides suffered injuries.

Also on Wednesday, an association of auto-parts suppliers comprising 600 companies to which Sangreng owes about 300 billion won (\$240 million) filed a court petition to call for the company's liquidation.

Wednesday's raid still left hundreds of protesters in one of the police shop buildings, with police sitting outside of the roof of the compound in the city of Pyongyang, some 70 kilometers south of Seoul. Up to 300 people were still inside the facility and Lee Woon-jae, a Sangreng spokesman, said police would "take some time to think about going to it" in hopes that the company's union and management would reach a compromise on the dispute.

NO. 25 TIMES STREET

Parents honor Cory, teach kids love of country

By Nancy Canajad

TRIBUTE TO CORY AGUIRRE AT 1,000 residents on Times Street in Quezon City have turned into a family affair with parents making sure children also get to know the life and times of the dear's famous neighbor.

"We like to pay our respects and tell our children about Cory and how noble he was, not only (about his being) the mother of Rita Aguirre," said Norina Perez of Barangay Bagong Bato, one of the residents who looked at Times early this week.

Perez came with her children, along with her father to lay flowers on the

memorial shrine Aguirre supporters put up in front of house No. 25, where the Aguirres had lived for decades.

Visitors leave their candles and left handwritten notes and cards of condolences, religious articles, and even small toys in the shrine.

"We bring our children here to share with them the values of love of country, good governance and democracy instilled through us by The Cory," said another visitor Max Garcia, an info-tech company employee.

"The shrine inspired in her faith. I hope her death would be another inspiring point the door of her husband No-

ney for us to come together," said the mother of two.

Cory said she said her sister brought their children to Times so they can explain to the young ones why their mother earlier went when they first learned about Aguirre's death on Saturday.

Nel de Luna Lucalida also arrived with her daughter Lorna, a 18-year-old sophomore of Ateneo de Manila University, to honor explain to her Aguirre's role in helping the Marcos dictatorship in 1986, long before Lorna reached.

"I am now more informed of what is going on, and her death made me

aware of the difference between yesterday's generation and now," Lorna said the Aguirres.

"Through my children, here we express our love that there is more to Cory than being the mother of Rita Aguirre," added another mother, Rita Aguirre. "I hope the children can imagine the idea of spirit which Cory inspired and will give us the freedom now."

Stella Torres, a comedian whose life was marked by imprisonment of Aguirre, also dropped by at Times—this time for a solemn moment. As a lawyer in her subject, she was accompanied by her mother Lita Torres.



A YOUNG BOY waves through a barrier at Manila Cathedral this Sunday morning, leaving the father of the late President Cory Aguirre on Wednesday.

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SMC seeks investors in food, liquor units

Selling up to 49% stake in Pure Foods, Ginebra

By Doris C. Danden

DIVERSIFYING FOOD AND BEVERAGE conglomerate San Miguel Corp. is in talks with Minnesota-based Harman Foods Corp. for the potential sale to the latter of up to 49 percent of food unit San Miguel Pure Foods Co.

San Miguel is also in the thick of negotiations with other potential foreign partners for a

Any sale to an overseas firm, said.

He said the sale of a possible minority stake in Ginebra could be completed ahead of a 49-percent stake to clear a deal on SMPC.

When asked who will likely buy the food unit, he said: "I haven't answered. We're still looking for investors."

Unlike Harman, which has an existing partnership with San Miguel in one of SMPC's local subsidiaries as well as in a large food unit venture in Vietnam, the three other potential buyers mentioned by San Miguel for the food group did not have any exposure in the Philippines yet, he said.

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July inflation falls to 22-year low

By Rosalyn N. Domingo

INFLATION FELL TO A 22-YEAR low of 0.2 percent year-on-year in July mostly due to the moderate easing of food, beverage and tobacco prices, according to the National Statistics Office.

NSO documents showed that the lower inflation rate was the lowest since prices rose 1.4 percent in March 1987. The June figure stood at a 2.3 drop from the 12.9 percent inflation in July last year.

Last month's weak inflation in commodity prices was also attributed to a decline in the cost of fuel, light and water as well as of services.

Inflation has been slowing down for the fifth consecutive month since February when it hit 7.3 percent.

The government expects the inflation rate for 2009 to average between 2.5 and 4.5 percent. The average inflation for the seven months in July settled within the target range at 4.3 percent.

In July, the increase in food, beverage and tobacco prices slowed to 1.6 percent or about half the 3.1 percent observed in June.

In line with the overall inflation,

last year, prices have been steadily rising for the past 11 months since July 2008.

Fuel, light and water prices decreased 4.8 percent, having fallen to the negative inflation for the past six months.

Prices of service items also declined 3.8 percent, falling faster than the 1.1 percent rise in March.

Lower inflation was also in clothing (2.3 percent) from 3.5 percent in June, housing and repair (2.4 percent) from 2.8 percent and miscellaneous items (2.6 percent) from 2.9 percent.

On a month-to-month basis, inflation rose to 0.3 percent in July from 0.4 percent in June as five of the six commodity groups showed slowing increase.

Fuel, light and water prices in July rose up 2.1 percent compared to price in June when the change rose rounded at 0.2 percent.

The fastest slowdown was seen in services, with prices increasing 4.3 percent from 2.4 percent in the previous month. Prices of the other four commodity groups increased 0.1 percent from a June inflation of as high as 0.3 percent.

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Markets closed for Aquino funeral

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Cory's trademark chicken liver pâté

She whipped up the dish even during mass weddings where she acted as 'ninang'

By Paolo B. Lopez

SEVEN MONTHS AGO, THERE was a mass wedding that sold the nation president Corason Aquino. Despite her illness, her daughter-in-law, the first lady, was the center of attention.

After it was over, she was the first to be interviewed, and she was the first to be interviewed, and she was the first to be interviewed.

The secret of her delicious pâté? "She said not what she said."

Bernadette Remon-De, Quezon City councilor, is a neighbor of Cory's and a wedding guest of Aquino. She says Aquino made the pâté for the wedding. She said she was the first to be interviewed.

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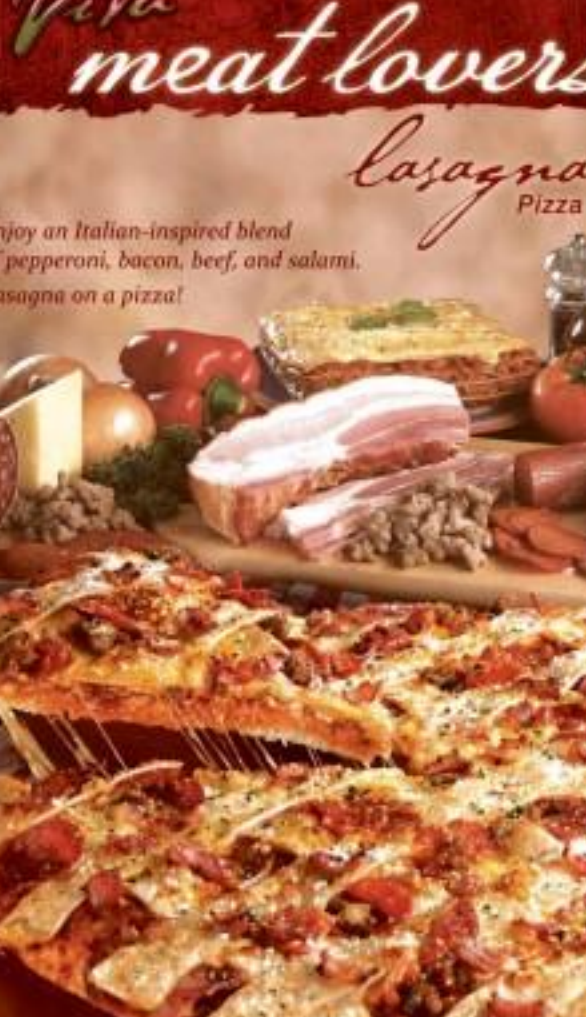
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Since December 2008, Gary has been taking one capsule a day. The supplement is included a vital part of their lives. Gary admits that

"GlucoControl has really helped. My sugar levels before [GlucoControl] were more erratic." "Now, even Angeli feels that she's 100% for sugar levels about when she's able to manage and control Gary's diabetes even more." "Actually I'm 100-100% for supplements," she adds.

In the early years of their marriage, Angeli knew little about diabetes. She only knew that her two grandmothers were suffering from it. Her whole outlook changed when she was three months pregnant. This was the time she saw Gary being rushed to the hospital. "He was like deadweight," she says. "How come this never happened to my kids?" Angeli had wondered. The incident spurred her to study

diabetes. "I decided to buy books, or I would have been. You can't read me enough, but because of the experience, I have been knowledgeable about the disease." From a patient who became an active fighter alongside her husband. One other benefit is to the better doctors and nurses can only do so much. What matters is how much family and who knows how about the disease and how they support the diabetics with the right practices and protocols.

Apart from her hunger to know about the disease, she's keen on the role of supporting Gary during hours, shoots, and concerts. Gary shares his observations: "There are many people in the industry who look at my wife and say [she's] too young. [even saying] women, may look older up," that for a wife who's made it her mission to sustain life for her husband, she doesn't mind it. "We go very strict with eating time. After a concert, there's the 24-hour monitoring when your body can still be burning sugar, even after you're at rest," Gary continues. "It's Angeli who monitors. She'll bring the one prepared to go and needs to buy him if all goes or snacks to help with his sugar level, the one thing that he ate the right food at the right time. For 25 years and counting, Gary is committed to controlling diabetes because Angeli is there for him. The shuggies, meowies, guinea, coonies, rambits, macis, and pugs will too."

Angeli even makes sure Gary doesn't leave home without his insulin. It's a black box that's been with them for over 20 years, and it's been popular among friends, too. It contains insulin, glucose meter, and insulin pump regularly already to keep his sugar level normal.

But when most people don't know, Gary would have passed away if it weren't for Angeli.

In 2008, Gary had a seizure, and he was rushed from the bed by his wife.

It happened in Pasadena, California when he was on tour in Manila. Angeli was jet-lagged and unable to fight off sleep. She normally checks up on Gary and makes sure he has eaten something sufficient before bedtime. At 3 A.M., she woke up and saw that he was dead. Gary and his unconscious. Gary went to a major vehicle, Angeli alerted the staff, and he was contacted. "I found out that someone had to die. I didn't know about it at that time," recently Angeli.

She gave him first aid. She quoted from the Word of God, "I was sad and praying and praying. I was thinking about all the pastors and prophets who said that Gary would do a lot of things, so it can't be that it would end like this."

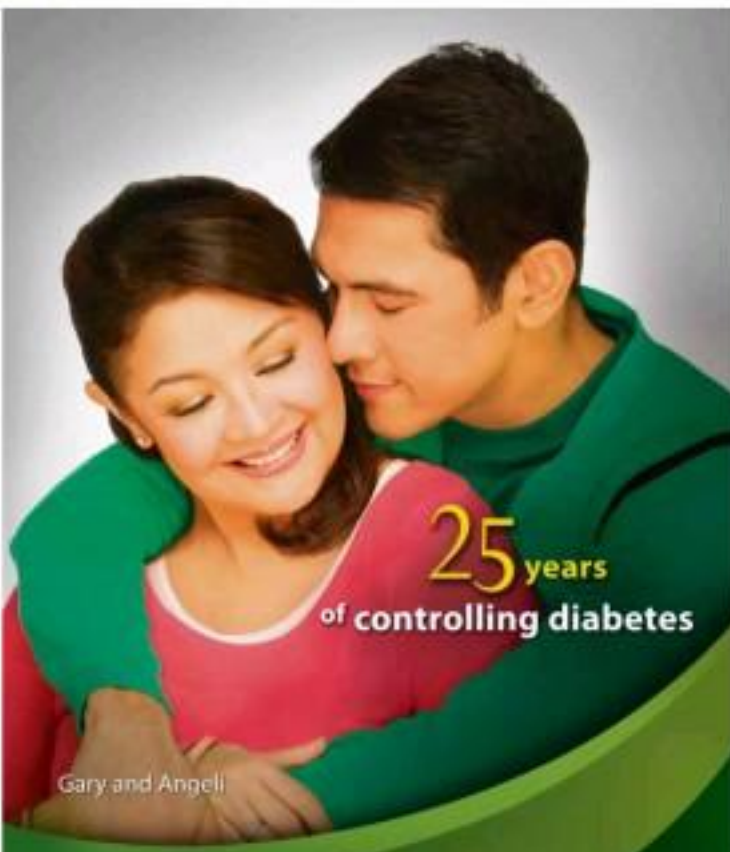
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Angeli even summoned the spirit of Death to come out of his body. At that point, she cannot allow her to enter your mind. It will be that you." And she makes understood up to this very day. If Angeli didn't administer first aid that night, God only knows what could have happened.

As a man, she also knew the love of controlling their kids every time Gary would have her sugar attack. It was their second child Gabriel who witnessed it several times, as a kid. "I continued to be because Gary did not look like his dad [during attacks]. The character, the personality. Why is it that, why is Papa like that? God would say," Angeli knew as always that she ought to be on top of the situation whether her husband is having an attack or whether her kids question God because of their Papa's condition.

For over 25 years, this was the picture of their relationship. "Lord, please make Papa's concerts a success; please heal his diabetes." This prompted Angeli to answer Papa, saying that people like Papa's age affected with diabetes have already gone blind. But it isn't all about Papa's case. He is in great shape and continues to make music and inspire people. "Your Papa is a living miracle." This is what Angeli tells their kids. What Angeli doesn't tell is the fact that she's been fighting to help her son. And it looks like she's not looking out of this disease but love, not love. - *Angeli*

You can read more about Gary's and Angeli's experiences through their blog at lifeanddiabetes.com.ph.



Gary and Angeli

Other marriages may have crumbled because of the strain of dealing with a life-changing disease like diabetes. Thankfully, this one didn't. Together they have proven that diabetes can be controlled with diet, exercise, proper medical consultation, and now, with the help of GlucoControl®.

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Here's to another 25 years for Gary V. and Angeli!



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CONCEPTS SU DOKU

Concepts Suzuki By Chris Linn

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Urian a battle...

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Antonio "Wing" Lao and Booki Aphairal Fano, "Sichu," Lay Jint, "Molachol," Anand Manopha, "Thaiphong na Yote," and Jint Manopha and Jint Vira, "Boon."

Order companies are Best Production Design, Best Cinematography, Best Editing, Best Music, and Best Sound. Winners will be announced during the awards ceremony on Sept. 19 at the Cultural Center of the Philippines.

The Museum is chaired by Federico Elizalde, dean of the UP College of Fine Arts. Other members are Museum Trustees, former artistic director of the CCP and former chair of the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board, National Actor for Lifetime Achievement, and others.

While the results, headed by Miyako will be on MITCH members: Jairo Reyes, faculty member of the De La Salle University; Rudy Francisco, columnist and TV personality; Lito Lapid, business editor and professor at the University of Santo Tomas; and Benito Sison and Tito Saldaña, professors at the Ateneo de Manila University.

If you'd like to see the program, visit the

NOW SHOWING



Urian's Carlos of Philippines

Innovations mark...

From page D1

richer" films during the past generation. From the 1970s to the 1990s, the Philippines' film industry has been producing a number of movies that are innovative in terms of content and style.

Novelty

But local film industry is not always seen to be the right place for innovation. In the past, the industry has been criticized for being too conservative and for not embracing new technologies. However, in recent years, there has been a shift towards more innovative filmmaking.

Others "should also be looking for the best" of the industry. The industry has been criticized for being too conservative and for not embracing new technologies. However, in recent years, there has been a shift towards more innovative filmmaking.

The production could pay for its cost and commercial success, ending the high level of anxiety and stress associated with the production. It would have been perfect, but the production has been made to be almost like a movie. This could have been achieved by having a more professional production.

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State of independence

Cinemalaya proved Philippine filmmaking is alive

By Joyce Reyes
Contributor

(Part of 2 parts)

IF THERE'S ANYTHING THAT this year's Cinemalaya proved, it is that Philippine filmmaking is alive and kicking.

The second Philippine Independent Film Festival has ended in a round celebration that has grown tremendously over the years, with the number of films and the number of attendees growing steadily.

In many ways, Cinemalaya is a kind of hope for the local movie industry, especially in the face of a movie market that is still recovering from the effects of the Global Financial Crisis. The festival has been a source of inspiration for many filmmakers, and it has also been a source of pride for the Philippine film industry.

Featured actors

Among the stars who have been featured at the festival are... (names of actors and films)

New releases

Some of the new releases include... (names of films and directors)

Other notable films include... (names of films and directors)

The festival also featured... (names of films and directors)

Overall, the festival was a success... (summary of the event)

The festival also featured... (names of films and directors)

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For members of the indie community who find the public at large with wrong perceptions.

Reality check:

A reality check tells us that the members who gathered at the IFFI last weekend... (text continues)

Some have even been told... (text continues)

Big challenges

The year's Cinemalaya festival... (text continues)

However, the real challenge... (text continues)

But more fundamentally... (text continues)

Editor's note: The author... (text continues)

Urian a battle of indies

By Maribel S. Cruz

SEVEN DIFFERENT PRODUCTION... (text continues)

The list of nominees... (text continues)

"Urian" is about the decline... (text continues)

The festival also featured... (text continues)

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PHILIPINO... (text continues)

Innovations mark this year's Mutya

By Arlene Arden
Photos by John G. Serrano

A SPICEFUL ACCORDION... (text continues)

Best practices... (text continues)

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